WHAT IT HAS DONE

Humane Society Holds Its Tenth Annual Meeting.

REVIEW OF ITS YEAR'S WORK

tainment-Reports of Officers. Will Care for Children.

A very small audience took part in the ane society's annual meeting, held in All Soul's church last evening. The business of the meeting was preceded by a pleasing but brief program. Mra. Fred Mills sang two soles and Paul Davis recited a selection. The first business of the evening was the treasurer was not present and the report was read by Secretary A. C. Tuery, It showed that there had been received \$185.55 and the disbursements were \$185.55 leaving ten cents on hand. Both the succeipts and disbursements contain the sum of \$150, which is a deposit as an endowment fund. The secretary's report was then read as follows: We have reached the ten mile post in our society's progress and again we are asin All Soul's church last evening. The have reached the ten mile post in our society's progress and again we are assembled to listen to the annual story of humans work. Humans education was not overlooked at the world's fair and three day's in October were devoted to it. The following summary shows the result of our work at home for the year

result of our work at home for the year just closed.

Reprimands for improper shelter, 15; reprimands for improper feeding, 25; reprimands for improper feeding, 25; reprimands for lerking, 3; reprimands for whipping and lerking, 3; reprimands for fust driving, 4; horses shot (sick and disabled, 14; horses shot (sick and disabled, 14; horses ordered shot, 45; horses blanketed on streets, 54; horses sent to give factory, 14; horses pound, 2; teams ordered doubled on hills and bridges 71; louds lightened, 12; horses ordered off streets unit for work, 35; harnesses adjusted, 14; overchecks let out, 5; warning tage used, 20; fast driving stopped, 13; for teams ordered at excavations, 2; good eticks taken from drivers, 2; teams taken from drivers, 2; teams taken from drivers, 2; teams taken from drivers, 2; dog fight stopped, 1; assistance to failen and frightened horses, 31; reported cases of glanders reported to board of health, 3; dervers reported to board of health, 3; dervers reported to suppoyers for abuse of teams. He creally to children investidrivers reported to employers for abuse of teams, ID; cruelty to children investi-gated, 2; arrests for cruelty and im-proper feeding, 2; convictions for same, 2, arrests for fast and over driving, 7; convictions for same, 6; cases investi-gated in county, 20; cases investigated in city, 79; total, 560.

in city, 79; total, 500.

Efforts have been made to extend our influence into the county. Many have thought that they were not allowed to operate outside of the city. We have been instrumental in having E. D. Hlakeslee appointed as a sub humane agent in Lowell and his reports show that from the day of his appointment there has been a change in the care given to dumb beasts in that locality. We are still confronted with the difficulty of getting witnesses when it is

Decessary to prosecute a case.

The most important work has been the securing of the passage of laws by the last legislature relative to the better care of children and providing for the formation of societies for the enforcement of those laws. It now reof humane work to form an organizameeting we received our second surprise of \$150 from an unknown friend, which, with the N. L. Avery benefit of 1891, makes a good foundation on which to

The report was accepted and adopted. President Fluhrer read a brief adess in which he rehearsed the early struggles of the society and of the constant struggle it is now maintaining. Mercy for the dumb animal, he said, Mercy for the dumb animal, he said, was one of the highest evidences of the moral feelings. He said he considered this cruelty which tortured a fly was akin to the savagry which drove the naise through the Savior's hands and feet. He thought the good work done by the society would insure its continuance and perpetuity. A committee was appointed to nominate a board of directors and recommended that the old board be re-sected for the ensuing year. It was decided to organize a society

It was decided to organize a society for the prevention of crueity to children. President Fluhrer called for ten volunteers to sign the articles of association, but there not being a sufficient number of volunteers the matter was dropped.

Dr. Fluhrer offered a resolution thanking Mr. Davis and Mrs. Mills for the en-

tectarnment they had furnished, also that the daily papers be thanked for generous notices.

City News in Brief.

The executive committee of the board of trude will hold a meeting in the board rooms this afternoon at 5 o'clock for the purpose of considering impor-tant matters in connection with the coming years work. The retimated expense account for the ensuing year will be prepared for submission to the board at its next meeting. William H. Ander-son is chairman of this committee.

This afternoon a reception will be tendered Henri Marteau, the celebrated young French violinist, in the Ladies' Literary glub-house, between the hours of 3 and 5. Five hundred invitations have been issued to the musical societies and the press, and the attendance will undoubtedly be large.

The first rehearent for the "Ben Hur" The Brat rehearms for the "Ben Hurperformance to be given during Christmas week, will be held next Monday
night in the private theatre at No. 67
Fountain street. Eighty three of the
necessary casts have been selected and
twenty-five more are required between
the ages of 8 and 25 years.

City Marshal Bragg is after those cittives who dump assess in the streets and allow in the streets and allows. There is a strong ordinance in force in the city, making it a mission measure to throw any ashes in the public streets and alloys. The city marshall proposes to coforce the ordinance.

W. H. Kincer, temporary custodian for the collections for the Provident segisty, turned over all of the docations. received to the Charity Organization soearly yesterday moveling.

City Marshal Bragg afficially notified of the charges preferred against him, and notified him of the trial, which will take place hesterner evening.

The semi-annual election of officeract

\$25 was raised for the benefit of the Ticket No. 140. held by Mrs. Pendill, a. 122 Canal street, drew the carpet of the Canter Relief Corps offered at the

The annual meeting of the Widdicomb Mantel company will be held on Tues-day. December 19.

The remains of Mrs. Sara Jane Marvin will be taken to Coloma today for burial. Revival services are being held this week in the East street M. E. church.

Thomas Crocker, a Big Rapids con-tractor, was in the city yesterday. He expects to leave this morning for Coid-

O. J. Merritt and wife left yesterday for a three months' visit with friends in New York and Philadelphia.

New York and Philadelphia.

A. B. Richmond has gone to Dowagiac and expects to visit Owoseo before he returns tomorrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor left for Jacksonville, Florida, yesterday.

Mrs. Dryfus has gone to Savannah, Georgia, to spend the winter.

Captain Smith of No. 5 engine house and his wife have the grip.

FIRE IN A PAINT STORE.

Miller & Middleton Scorched at Noon

Quite a serious fire took place in Miller & Middleton's paint and paper store, No. 11st Mouroe street, at 11:30 yesterday morning. A still alarm was turned in and the department responded promptly, and soon had the biase extinguished. The block, which is owned by Mrs. Sarah M. Ball, was damaged to the extent of \$500, and is fully insured. Miller & Middleton had a \$3,000 stock of goods in their basement, which was practically ruined and is a total loss. They were well insured. The fire was caused by a defective flue, which allowed fire to drop into the basement.

DUD AND THAD

ferson Club Dudley O. Watson of Coopersville, high chief wire palier of the state board of referees, and Thad B. Preston of Ionia, head bottle holder, were initiated into the Jefferson club last night and into the Jefferson club last night and are now licensed to sit in the ante-room and play pedro with other Jeffersonians without removing their hats. The privilege of smoking the Coroner's Joy Havannas, so popular with members of the club, is also delegated to them, and they may puff the fragrant weeds in the council chambers of the most high. After the applications of the two distinguished democrats had been read the rules were suspended and the applicants were unanimously elected to memberwere unanimously elected to member-ship. Upon the suggestion of I. M. Turner, however, they will be expected to pay their dues just the same as the members from "de six" ward," Alto-gether this was the most important business of the meeting.

Mr. Maher again brought up the mat-ter of the club's moving into the Shep-ard block, and the matter was left in the bands of the committee. The dis-cussion between I. M. Turner and William Hathaway was postponed until another meeting. Fully litteen demo-crats were present at last night's ecssion and the club adjourned until next Tues-

FOUND A CADAVER.

Patrolman Carr's Awful Discovery Turned Out an Ordinary Affair.

At 3:30 yesterday morning an slarm of fire was turned in from the Derby hotel, on the west side. A small blaze in the basement of C. B. Harman's drug store, on the opposite side of Fulton street, was the cause. Only 85 damage was done, though there was a vast amount of smoke and several children were overcome by it. William Roach, a printer, who lives over the drug store, carried his little girl out in an almost unconscious condition, while Captain Fitzpatrick of No. 8 engine house car-ried Mrs. Reed and a girl down stairs. While the fire did not amount to

much, a report was started that an at-tempt had been made to oremate a new born babe in the basement and the fire was caused from that. Patrolman Carr, who gave the alarm, found in the drug store busement a pail containing the body of a child. He at once notified police headquarters and Lieutenant fluries notified Coroner Bradish. When Dr. Bradish arrived he found the body was one that a cierk in the drug store had preserved, in a pickling fluid, for his use in studying anatomy.

ARE STILL PRIENDS.

Curious Relations of a Man and His Dirorced Wife,

Mary L. Brown was granted a decree of divorce from Robert W. Brown yesterday in Judge Adsit's court. Mr. Brown will be remembered as the man who wanted a marriage license Monday and was denied one because no decree of divorce had been granted. It was found that William La Green the that William La Grou, the attorney in that William La Grou, the attorney in the case, was holding back from asking for a decree until his fees were paid. Yesterday the fees were paid and the decree was granted. Mr. Brown at once renewed his application for a license and will marry Miss Bertha Coie. The decree says the trouble was extreme cruelty, while Mr. Brown says he and Mary are on the best of terms. he and Mary are on the best of terms. In fact, Mary, the divorced wife, was with him yesterday when he got the icense to marry Bertha Cole.

Funeral of Joseph N. Fisher. The funeral of Joseph N. Fisher was held at 2 p. m. yesterday, from the famlly residence, No. 464 Ottawa street. A large number of the pioneer residents of the city were present, and numerous friends and relatives of the family assembled to pay their last respects to a kind, honorable and upright citizen. The services were conducted by the Rev. Charles Fluhrer of All Souls' church, who delivered an impressive and an earnest sermion on the characteristic virtues of the decreased. The fumeral hymne were rendered by Misson. Matic Remington and Elia Barkley, and the floral offerings from friends of the family were beautiful and profuse. The remains were carried to their last restine place in Valley City countery by his was and grandsons. The bearers wern Joseph G. Fisher, Alfred W. Fisher, Chauncey H. Fisher, Ralph W. Fisher and Frank Fisher.

Did Not Wish to More,

Ledia Crafut, residing in a room in the oid Ledyard block, at the corner of Monroe and Ottawa streets, is giving The semi-unusual election of officers of the Unions will be held tomorprow afternoon at 2.30. Officers for the huma and hospital will be elected along the the bands to serve loss Thursday, but Mrs. Crofut would not let him into the room until he weed force. There she sat down and layon streets much the use of its half.

The Tennyson class will meet Thursday sight in All Souls church.

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forcing it, and the next day was in full possession again. Yestering morning to put her out again, and is less than an hour she was back. At 3 o'clock he spected her for the last time, and thinks he has her bounced permanently.

PRATERNITY ELECTIONS.

Various Lodges Select Officers for the Coming Year. Grand Rapide lodge, No. 8, A. O. U.W., eld its annual election last night with

held its annual election last night with
the following result:

Pust Master Workman—W. J. McKay.
Master Workman—J. A. Lombard.
Foreman—A. E. Stuck.
Overssor—F. P. Drake.
Recorder—C. H. Winchester.
Financier—J. H. Hagy.
Recorver—H. A. Formby.
Guide—E. Hollway.
Inside Watchman—T. C. Councell.
Outside Watchman—S. S. Scott.
Trustee—F. M. Ragan.
Medical Examiners—S. L. Resema, T.
D. Bradfield.

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Representative—W. J. McKay.
Alternate—T. Brinton.
Valley City Council No. 611, Royal
Arcanum. elected the following officers

Arcanum, elected the following officers last night:
Regent—G. Fred Blickle.
Vice Regent—Caleb Barstow.
Orator—John Donaklson.
Secretary—Ernest Sigier.
Treasurer—H. H. Idema.
Collector—W. H. Tibbs.
Chaplain—J. R. Lacey.
Guide—Harry Middleton.
Warden—B. W. Fuller.
Sentry—E. S. Somes.
Trustee for three years—G. N. Miller.
Representative to Grand Council—E.
V. Fairbield.
Alternate—F. J. Wurzburg.

W. Fairbield.
Alternate—F. J. Wurzburg.
Organist—Charles Balcom.
Cowan lodge No. 89. Knights of Pythias elected officers as follows:
M. W., George S. James.
C. C., W. P. Walsh.
V. C., S. W. Batdort.
Prelate, E. J. Carrel.
K. of R. and S., W. C. Wood.
M. of E. H. H. Lusencamp.
M. at A., Thomas Higgins.
Representative, W. C. Wood.
Alternate, C. A. Beebe.
The annual meeting of William Alden Smith camp. Sons of Veterans, was held last evening and the following officers were elected:
Captain—Frank M. Williams.

officers were elected:
Captain—Frank M. Williams.
First Lieutenant—H. H. Stephenson.
Second Lieutenant—O. C. Fox.
Camp Council—George E. Gogshall,
W. A. Cowles, H. V. Wagoner.
Delegate—C. J. Post.
Alternate—W. A. Cowles.
Vice President of Kent County Organization—George E. Cogshall.

A JAPANESE PROGRAM Andrews Literary Club Gives

Pleasing Entertainment. Mrs. Libbie Brady, president of St. Andrews Ladies' Literary society, arranged a pleasant Japanese entertainment in the school hall on Sheldon street last evening. The attendance was all that the room could accommodate and the entertainment was a perfect success. The program was as follows:

A Japanese tea was served by Miss Marie Caultield, during which Miss Lena Heinzman and Miss Grady ren-

dered selections on the guitar and banjo.
All participants were dressed in Japanese costumes and the arrangement of the stage was strikingly Japanese.

SOLDIERS' HOME BOARD. All the Rooms in the Woman's Annex Purnished.

The board of managers of the Soldiers' home began its December meeting yesterday. James A. Crozer of Menominee, L. W. Sprague of Greenville, John Northwood of New Lathrop, L. K. Bishop and L. G. Rutherford of this city. Nothing but routine business was transacted. city. Nothing but routine business was transacted at yesterday's session. A number of applications for reinstatement were received, and these will be acted upon today. A letter from Mrs. A. T. Bliss of Saginaw was read, stating that the relief corps of the state had completed the work of furnishing the rooms in the woman's annex. Today the heard will prepare a program for the the board will prepare a program for the dedication of the annex.

Next Sunday, December 10, will be Next Sunday, December 10, will be Hospital Sunday in the churches of the city, having been designated as such by the Ministers' conference. At the morning services contributions will be received for the U.B. A. home, St. Mark's hospital, the Woman's home and hospital and the Emerson home. The amounts given are to be placed in envolopes and the donor may if he wishes designate the institution to which his gift shall go. The pastors will each preach a sermon in the morning upon the duty and privilege of charity and mercy.

Will Not Use the New Market. The city market place on Kent street seems to have no attraction for farmers who have hay and wood to sell. The old market on the east side of Canal street was tilled with hay and wood yes terday, while but one empty hay rack and team stood in the new place. The snow has made good sleighing in the country, and farmers are hauling large quantities of wood and hay as well as other farm products to the city.

Option on The Eagle. Option on The Eagle.

E. N. Dingley of the Kalamamo Telegraph, it is said, has secured a renewal of his option on The Eagle, which expired Saturday. The limit of the new option is not known. The offer is \$20,000 for Aaron B. Turner's five-eighths interest in the paper, and it is expected that the matter will be decided definitely in a few days. finitely in a few days.

His Thumb Blown Off. Phil Miller of No. 17 Julia street lost his left thumb yesterday while hunting. The gun exploded, blowing all the flesh off the thumb, leaving the bone as bare as the handle of a tooth brush. Dr. Barth was called and dressed the wound, and the youngster is in no danger to losing any more of his hand.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

Slippers for Presents Should Be Selected Rarly Before Steles Are Exhausted. The windows at the corner of Canal and Lyon streets are filled with the most beautiful designs of Holiday Slippers in great variety. A kee full of World's Fair Souvenirs is also shown. These are given to purchasers of \$1.00 or more, or set of dominous is given, etc., etc. Crozier Bros. double store is a busy him accordance.

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A practical dyer, writing in the Weaver's Herald, says, "I used to dye with roots and tarks, but after, all my work, (and it was a tedious job.) I was not satisfied, for the colors were homely and often faded. At last I commenced to use diamond dyes, and the process is so simple and easy that the work is a pleasure. I have used carpets made of rage dyed with diamond dyes three years, and the clors are still as bright as when new."

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Many of the diamond dye fast cotton colors are so superior to other dye stuffs that they are used by dyers everywhere, even in the big mills and the large dye houses. Imitators of these reliable dyes have claimed that their cotton dyes are "just as good." but practical tests prove the diamond is the only kind that makes colors which soap will not wash out or suushine fade. suushine fade.

The diamond dyes come in nearly fifty different colors, for silk, wool and cotton, and will dye anything, from a pair of stockings to a dress or cloak.

TEMPLE QUARTETTE of Boston, the most famous male quartette in the country, and Grace Eldridge Reader, at Y. M. C. A. Hall Friday, Dec. 8. Tickets 50 cents at Association building.

What Is Baby's First Christmas? It has to be seen to be appreciated, but it certainly is the finest panel picture ever given away before. Don't miss it! Come early to avoid the rush. Week commencing December 18. The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., 108 Monroe and 42 W. Bridge.

The West Side Ice Rink will be pened in a few days to the public under the same management as last year. Mr. Lewis has been in the city the last two weeks making extensive additions and improvements, and promises his patrons rare sport the coming season.

Reduced Rates for Helidays.

For Christmas and New Year holi-days the Chicago & West Michigan and Detroit, Lansing & Northern lines will sell excursion tickets on December 23. 24, 25, 30, 31 and January 1 at one and one third face for round trip. Tickets will be good going only on date of sale and for return until January 2 inclusive.

G20. DeHaven, G. P. A.

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